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Cryogenic distillation method and installation for air separation										
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US L'Air Liquide, Société Anonyme à Directoire et Conseil de Surveillance pour l'Etude et l'Exploitation des Procédés Georges Claude										
applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:										
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This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.										
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	c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.									
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9.	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).									
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- 5. Preliminary Amendment;
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